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FOLLOWING REPEAT TEL AVIV 10974 ACTION SECSTATE DATED AUG 25, 1978.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 10974

E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ENRG, PBOR, IS
SUBJECT: ISRAELI OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION AND EXPLORATION
IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

REFS: (A) TEL AVIV 9217, (B) TEL AVIV 8532

1. DIRGEN MINENERGY VARDI TOLD EMBOFF ON AUGUST 24 THAT
PRODUCTION OF ALMA FIELD, INCLUDING D-1, IS NOW 18,000
BBL/DAY. HE SAID THAT GOI IS SEEKING A NEW FIELD IN
GULF OF SUEZ AND HAS STARTED A NEW WELL, NAMED "Yael-1",
AT AN UNSPECIFIED POINT IN GULF OF SUEZ NORTH OF ALMA
FIELD. VARDI ALSO SAID GOI HAS STARTED EXPLORATORY OIL
WELL IN NORTHERN SINAI, AGAIN AT UNSPECIFIED LOCATION.

2. DISCUSSING GAS WELLS IN SINAI, VARID SAID THAT HE HOPED
THAT PIPELINE FOR SADOT FIELD (REF. B) WOULD BE COMPLETED
IN ABOUT NIN MONTHS. HE SAID THAT NO OAS HAD BEEN FOUND
AT DIKLA AND NONE FURTHER TO THE WEST OF DIKLA. LEWIS
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